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Kannurâ€"Kannur International Airport Railway Line
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Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has taken any steps to update the survey for construction of Kannur-Kannur International airport railway line; and

(b) if so, the present status of the survey?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS
(SHRI MANOJ SINHA)
(a): Yes, Madam.

(b): Survey for Kannur-Mattannur new line (23 Km) has been completed in January, 2013. Cost of this line has been assessed as ` 237 crore with a rate of return of (-) 4%. The proposed new line could not be sanctioned due to unremunerative nature of the line and large shelf of ongoing new line projects.

An updating survey for this new line has been included in the Budget 2015-16 to explore traffic potential of the line and reassess its viability.

However, Kannur-Mattannur (Kannur International Airport) new line (23 Km) costing ` 400 crore has been included in Capital Investment Programme of 2016-17 in anticipation of State Government coming forward to take up this project through Joint Venture.
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